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**North Texas Regional P-16 Council
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

January 10, 2023

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Via Zoom

- A. Happy New Year and Introductions (9:00 – 9:15)** Jean Keller
Welcome new members and thank you

Jean Keller wished all happy new year and thanked those who were present.

Present: Jorge Figueroa, Lisa Harrison, Christine Hubbard, Jean Keller, Tiffany Kirksey, Bobby Morris, Renee Parker, Anita Perry, Rosalyn Walker, Shareea Woods

- B. Approval of October 11, 2022, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (9:15 – 9:20)** Jean Keller

The October 11, 2022, meeting minutes were reviewed. Lisa Harrison moved to approve the minutes and Rosalyn Walker seconds the motion. Minutes posted on the NTRP-16 Council website.

Lisa Harrison mentioned she will promote the NTRP-16 Council to CCMR and CTE leaders this upcoming Thursday.

- C. Approval of December 6, 2022, Council Meeting Minutes (9:20 – 9:25)** Jean Keller

The December 6, 2022, meeting minutes were reviewed. Lisa Harrison moved to approve the minutes and Rosalyn Walker seconds the motion. Minutes posted on the NTRP-16 Council website.

- D. Committee Leadership and Action Plans for 2022-2023 Academic Year (9:25-10:15)** All

Tiffany Kirksey requested a discussion of how the committees contribute to the work of the Council.

1. Communications, Networking, & Social Media – Rosalyn Walker & Renee Parker

The Communication, Networking, and Social Media committee shares information about upcoming events and items regarding student access and success with Council members by way of the website, Facebook, Twitter, and email. The committee disseminates relevant activities and information from all Council agencies. The committee tries to highlight current topics and issues such as the teacher shortage

a. Preparing Future Teachers

2. Leadership & Sustainability – Ray de los Santos & Jorge Figueroa

The Leadership and Sustainability committee works to ensure that the Council is maintained and has strong leadership. The Council should have a succession plan in place. Dr. Jorge Figueroa mentioned membership dues should be addressed to keep the Council sustainable. Dr. Keller briefly discussed various funding sources the Council has had over the years, such as membership dues, in-kind support from membership agencies, and small grants.

3. Professional Development – Lisa Harrison, Christine Hubbard, & Renee Parker

It is a goal of the Professional Development Committee to provide members at each Council meeting continuing education and information that supports their positions and careers. Another goal of the committee is to identify areas of interest and integrate them into events often sponsored by member agencies, such Regional Education Service Centers and the North Texas Community College Consortium.

4. Research, Assessment & Accountability – Shareea Woods & Bobby Morris

The Research, Assessment, and Accountability Committee is designed to explore and share data and information about regional students' access and success in secondary, postsecondary, and careers. There is good data from multiple sources and the Committee needs to find ways to disseminate it in meaning ways to Council members to support the Council's mission and vision. The Committee organized a presentation at a Council meeting by the State of Texas demographer to discuss changes in students across the state. The committee can be doing more of that, where we would bring in researchers who have dug into the data to discuss their findings and have conversations around that.

Bobby Morris asked: How do we would like to recommend for committee members?

Jean Keller responded: Please share interested Council members' names, positions, emails, and phone numbers with Jean and she and Morgan Andersen with send invitations.

E. Updates, Issues, and Events in the Region (10:15-10:30)

All

Today is the first day of the Texas Legislative session. There are various bills related to education in the 2023 legislative sessions. Several bills include topics such as excessive student hours, transfer credit, and unpaid bills.

There was a discussion of a vocational graduation plan that may graduate students with minimal foundation that may make it harder for students to continue their education. Lisa Harrison says that this will indenture students to occupations. If students are graduating from high school with a diploma that is so deficient of having them be college ready, how will they ever be able to step back into that system? Jean Keller shared some rural schools may see this as a help for students who want to enter the work force as soon as possible, then five years later, they may want something different, and may not have the foundation to seek it.

An area of concern on college campuses is student retention and completion. There have been a couple of interesting studies on University of North Texas’s campus as to why students are leaving. One of the very typical things that comes up is finances, but mental health issues keep coming up. Students are feeling a tremendous amount of stress and it is overwhelming for them to pursue their educations.

F. Approval of February 14, 2023, Council Meeting Agenda (10:30 -11:00)

All

Susan Holmes, (Chief Corporate Relations & Government Affairs Officer at UNT), and Isaac Rivera (District Director of Curriculum and Educational Planning at TCCD) will serve as panelist to discuss stackable credentials, at the next NTRP-16 Council meeting.

Renee Parker asked the committee if someone from the Texas Workforce Commission would be good to include to give a state-wide update. Christine Hubbard agreed and Renee volunteered to contact her colleague, Danielle Davis.

For the upcoming April 25th meeting, Jean Keller has asked that Tiffany, Javier, and Shareea would take the lead on the topic of Transition to Higher Education and Success.

G. Adjourn

Jean Keller adjourned the meeting and thanked participants for their attendance.

2022-2023 NTRP-16 Council Meeting Dates and Programs

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Date	Location	Topics	Program Facilitator
February 14,	Virtual	Pipeline to Careers, Stackable	Lisa Harrison, Raul Martinez, &

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2023		Credentials	Rosalyn Walker
April 25, 2023	Virtual	Transition to Higher Education and Success	Javier Garza, Tiffany Gilmore, Shareea Woods, & Tiffany Kirksey

2022-2023 NTRP-16 Executive Committee Meetings

9:00 AM – 11:00 PM

Date	Place
March 28, 2023	Virtual
June 6, 2023	Virtual